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## NATIONAL REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

FOR PRESIDENT,  
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Our columns contain an advertisement  
of a good building lot for sale near the  
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desires to build. This presents an opportunity  
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than the rental of such a home.

## Inquirer's Answer.

Before proceeding to answer Mr. Inquirer  
it is proper to state that, like almost all  
the "Doubters," he is a genuine Democrat.  
We think this a necessary precaution, as the  
unsophisticated Republican reader would  
not suspect in a Democrat such tender and  
anxious solicitude for the relief of the state  
of suspense in which the doubting Republicans  
are supposed to be. It will also  
greatly assist our friend in understanding  
the present political situation, if he will note  
the fact overlooked by him and others that  
the Republican party nominated Mr. Blaine  
for the purpose of transacting certain business  
in Washington in accordance with  
their ideas on the subject. We are in possession  
of no information which leads us to suppose  
that Mr. Blaine had nominated the  
Republican party for the purpose of carrying  
out his little pet projects. Mr. Blaine is  
a great man. There is no doubt of that.  
But the party which selected him is greater  
than any of its greatest members, as some  
of them learned to their cost. It is useless,  
therefore, to attempt to distinguish between  
the candidate and the party. Mr. Blaine  
is in nomination because the Republican  
party put him there.

"How do we explain the Mulligan letters?"  
We do not explain them. They carry their  
own explanation on the face of them. Those  
who make the most talk could not give an  
intelligible account of them. Those who wish  
an explanation of the way in which all the  
accusations and insinuations based on them  
vanish into thin air, and leave their fabricator  
resting under a charge of criminal ignorance  
or contemptible malice, may read the article  
by Mr. Mead, republished in the Citizen  
of August 9th.

In spite of the Post, Herald, Times, and  
their like, the members of a House Committee,  
the members of the House of Representatives  
themselves, the voters of a Congressional  
District, the members of a State Legislature,  
a President of the United States, half the  
delegates of two Republican National  
Conventions, ninety-nine out of one hundred  
dreadful of a third Convention, and the millions  
of citizens throughout the land who  
knowing all that could be told, have honored  
Mr. Blaine by their confidence, have not been  
either knaves or fools. When we consider  
that from the year 1876, when these charges  
were first made, to the present time, Mr. Blaine  
has received by vote and by appointment a  
continuous series of the highest honors that  
the country has to bestow, we feel that if we  
were the peddlers of Mulligan letters we would  
buckle them up and sneak out of sight, lest the  
wrath and contempt of an outraged people should  
fall upon us.

"What has Mr. Blaine done that he should  
aspire to be President?" Oh! aside  
of Rip Van Winkle where has our correspondent  
himself during the last twenty years? Here  
is a man who has been a member of a  
Legislature, a distinguished member of Congress,  
a pre-eminent able Speaker of the House of  
Representatives, a Senator of the United States,  
and the impress of whose wisdom and power has  
been left on a greater part of the important  
legislation of the most momentous period of  
our history, whose name is familiar in every  
household in the land, and yet it is coolly asked  
why should he as-

pire to be President. It is too much. This  
is indeed a hard question. The editors cannot,  
at present, spare the time to write a history.  
We refer to the several good ones in existence.

The Republican party can well afford to  
"parade its ancient history." If this be a sin,  
however, the Democratic party of today has  
most carefully avoided it. There are few political  
sins it has not sampled, and we willingly accord  
it this one virtue, if such it be. But we are also  
given to the sin of bringing the parade down to  
the last session of Congress and the New York  
Legislature. Nothing we more desire than that the  
Democrats would parade their whole history, ancient  
and modern.

"Concealment of Mr. Blaine's record, for  
sooth!" As well talk of the concealment of the  
lightning which is seen from horizon to horizon.  
We could not conceal it if we would, and would  
not if we could. We shall examine other points  
of Inquirer's letter next week.

## History.

The value of an historical writing depends  
very largely upon a full, accurate and authentic  
presentation of facts, with such deductions  
as may wisely be drawn from them. To depend  
upon one's imagination for facts, and upon memory  
for figures, may make brilliant writing, but it will  
not be history. There lies before us a History of New  
Jersey, in which the only record of Bloomfield  
township in the Revolution is the midnight exploit  
of a few men engaged in the capture of some  
British officers at Bergen. The settlement of the  
town, its contribution to the success of the early  
struggle for independence, its record in the wars  
of 1812 and 1846 are passed over in silence, and  
the life of the common people is largely neglected.

These records of the past are not to be  
despised or neglected. We are not isolated  
beings, sprung as it were, from the ground,  
but links in a chain extending from the past  
into the future. The deeds of our fathers,  
their characteristics, the events, stirring or  
monotonous, of their daily lives, are matters  
of interest to us, their descendants. These  
churches in which we worship, when and how  
were they built? What has been their history,  
their success and failures? These schools, by  
whom were they designed? Through what  
struggles have they passed, and by what means  
have they reached their present usefulness? The  
parks, the trees, the factories, the residences,  
the roads, each fill us with questioning wonder—  
until we come at last to the most important  
question of all—from whence came the people,  
whose descendants cover these hills and valleys,  
and of whose energy, courage and self-denial  
these are the monuments. We are, after all,  
but shadows of the past, and it alone can  
tell the true story of the present. The characteristics  
of the people, their physical condition, their  
moral aptitudes and religious character are  
they not told in the history of the institutions  
we have named? Even the soil, the climate and  
the productions of our village go to make up  
what we are.

We ought to be interested to know that a  
movement is definitely started to give us these  
facts. Messrs. Evans and Peck, of Newark,  
are preparing to publish a History of Essex and  
Hudson Counties, similar to those prepared for  
other counties in the State. It will give, in detail,  
the history of each township, with biographical  
sketches and engravings of prominent men,  
selected for their earnest and faithful interest in  
public affairs. The book is sold only by subscription  
to a limited number, as it is not electrotyped,  
and copies cannot be duplicated.

The preparation of the present volume or  
volumes has been placed in the hands of a  
committee of competent men of character in  
the county, by whom the proper persons are  
selected to furnish sketches. The writing of the  
history of Bloomfield has been entrusted to the  
Rev. Charles E. Knox, whose sermons, some years  
since, the seventieth anniversary of the First  
Presbyterian Church, will be remembered as  
containing much valuable historical matter. The  
work upon this volume will cost from fifty to one  
hundred thousand dollars, and will be in all respects  
a complete and satisfactory record of the progress  
of these counties from poor colonies to rich and  
prosperous cities and villages. Subscriptions have  
already been received, sufficient to make the  
enterprise a success, and of that we have no  
more to say than that this notice is entirely  
unsolicited. We wish however to add our earnest  
request to that of Dr. Knox, as expressed in our  
columns two weeks ago, that all persons having  
historical matter of value will confer with him  
at the earliest practical moment. Maps or  
papers relating to the early settlement of the  
township are especially desired. It should be a  
matter of pride with us to secure a full and  
accurate account of the origin and growth of our  
township.

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10:35, 11:35 a.m.; 12:50, 1:40, 2:30, 4:45, 5:25, 6:10,  
6:57, 8:15, 9:40, 11:02 p.m.; 12:20 a.m.

Leave Glen Ridge—6:05, 7:17, 7:57, 8:30, 9:17,  
10:37, 11:37 a.m.; 12:53, 1:43, 2:32, 4:47, 5:27, 6:13,  
7:00, 8:18, 9:43, 11:08 p.m.; 12:25 a.m.

Leave Bloomfield—6:08, 7:19, 7:59, 8:33\*, 9:19,  
10:39, 11:39 a.m.; 12:56, 1:45, 2:35, 4:49, 5:29, 6:15,  
7:03, 8:20, 9:45, 11:10 p.m.; 12:25 a.m.

Leave Newark—6:23, 7:30, 8:10, 9:30, 10:50,  
11:50 a.m.; 1:08, 1:58, 2:47, 5:00, 5:40, 6:38, 7:26,  
8:37, 10:08, 11:22 p.m.; 12:34 a.m.

Leave Newark—6:30, 8:00, 8:40, 9:10, 10:00,  
11:20 a.m.; 12:30, 1:40, 2:30, 4:20, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10,  
7:55, 9:10, 10:40, 11:55 p.m.

FROM NEW YORK

Leave New York—6:30, 7:30, 8:10, 9:10, 10:30,  
11:20 a.m.; 12:40, 2:10, 3:40, 4:20, 4:50, 5:30, 6:20,  
7:10, 8:30, 10:00, 11:15 p.m.

Leave Newark—6:40, 7:15, 7:58, 8:43, 10:03,  
11:03, 11:53 a.m.; 1:13, 2:44, 4:13, 5:26, 6:03, 6:53,  
7:48, 9:03, 10:33, 11:53 p.m.

Leave Bloomfield—6:51, 7:26, 8:09, 8:55, 10:15,  
11:15 a.m.; 12:05, 1:24, 2:55, 4:24, 5:04, 5:37, 6:15,  
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1:34, 4:50, 5:28, 6:55, 10:02 p.m.

Leave Bloomfield—5:38, 7:06, 7:59, 8:57, 10:56,  
a.m.; 1:40, 4:54, 5:21, 6:58, 10:08 p.m.

Arrive New York—6:25, 7:50, 8:40, 9:40, 11:40  
a.m.; 2:25, 5:40, 6:10, 9:10, 10:10 p.m.

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7:00 p.m.

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4:45, 6:20, 8:00 p.m. Leave 23d Street 15  
minutes earlier.

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5:24, 6:20, 7:05, 8:39 p.m.

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5:29, 6:20, 7:11, 8:46 p.m.

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